

Be Aware & Be Careful

.. On Friday ..



Praying the Fajr prayer on Friday with the congregation is one of the most beloved prayers to Allaah, so do not miss it.



The Prophet, sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam, confirmed the necessity of performing Ghusl (ritual bath) on Fridays for the Jumu'ah prayer, wearing clean clothes and perfuming oneself.



The Prophet, sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam, encouraged that one should go walking to the Masjid for the Jumu'ah prayer with tranquility.



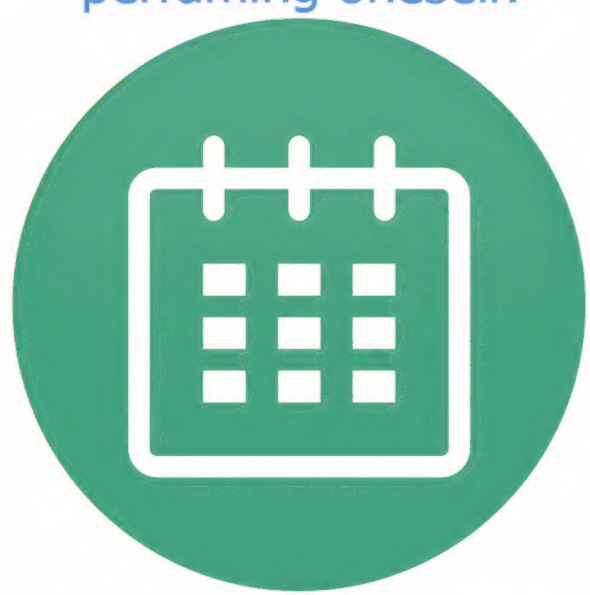
Pray two Rak'ahs greeting the Masjid upon entering and make them short if you come after the Khutbah has started.



It was the common practice of the Companions, may Allaah be pleased with them, to face the Imaam when he was delivering his Khutbah ... shouldn't we follow suit?



The hour when supplications are accepted and responded to on Jumu'ah is said to be the last hour before sunset.



The Prophet, sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam, said: "From one Jumu'ah prayer to the (next) Jumu'ah prayer are expiations for the (sins) committed in between (their intervals); provided the major sins are not committed."



Exalt the mention of the Prophet by uttering "sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam" on Jumu'ah and exalt the mention of his household and Companions.



Whoever recites Soorat Al-Kahf on Jumu'ah: "It will be light for him until the following Jumu'ah."



Do not miss out on the reward of going early to the Jumu'ah prayer; some people offer a camel (will get the reward of offering it in charity by going the earliest), others offer a cow, some offer a sheep, yet others offer a chicken and the least is an egg (the latest in arrival); but some even miss this reward.

Beware of the following matters:



The records are in the hands of the angels and they fold them once the Imaam enters and they do not record the names of those who come late.



"He who says 'silent'" (to a person who is talking) while the Imaam is delivering the Khutbah has indulged in idle talk, and whoever indulges in idle talk gets no reward for the Jumu'ah. So refrain from talking (while the Imaam is delivering the Khutbah).



The Prophet, sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam, said to a man who was stepping over the people's shoulders (to reach the front row): **"Sit down for you have harmed (people)."**



"Whoever touches pebbles (while the Imaam is delivering the Khutbah) has indulged in idle talk, and whoever indulges in idle talk gets no reward for the Jumu'ah." Do not touch things and lose the reward of the Jumu'ah



The Prophet, sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam, forbade from sitting in an Ihtibaa' posture (to sit with the arms enfolding one's legs and bringing them towards the chest) while the Imaam is delivering the Khutbah